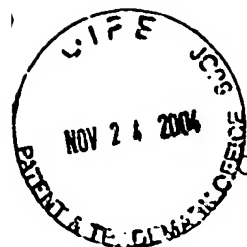


11-26-04

IFQ



Our ref: LIT-7 (Cont)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

-----x  
In re Application of: R. CAREN, et al :  
Serial No. : 10/667,698 : Art Unit: 1753  
Filed : September 22, 2003 : Examiner:  
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR : Dated : November  
USING HYDROXYL TO REDUCE 24, 2004  
POLLUTANTS IN THE EXHAUST :  
GASES FROM THE COMBUSTION  
OF A FUEL  
-----x

STATUS LETTER

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

S i r:

Applicants ask the Patent Office to indicate when the first Office Action might be received in the above-identified Application which was filed on September 22, 2003. To date, the first Office Action has not been received.

Respectfully submitted,

MUSERLIAN, LUCAS AND MERCANTI, LLP

EV58346431745  
"Express Mail" mailing label No. 24004  
Date of Deposit: Nov 24 2004  
I hereby certify that this paper or fee is  
being sent with the United States Postal By:  
Service, and that the fee is being paid to the Addressee  
above indicated in the fee schedule indicated  
above, and that the fee is being paid to the Commissioner for  
Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Donald C. Lucas  
Donald C. Lucas  
(Attorney for Applicants)  
475 Park Avenue South  
New York, New York 10016  
Tel. # (212) 661-8000

DCL/mr

Encl: Return receipt post-card